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To the Chiefs of Border Sections II - VI.

The following is a strictly secret report of 18 August 1947
No. 24707/47 from the Ministry of Interior of the FNRJ (Federal
People's Republic of Yugoslavia):

1. Reactionary and traitorous elements, who had already fled Yugoslavia in 1945, and who since that time have been living in camps or privately in Italy and Austria, continue their hostile activities unhindered and try to spread their influence into our territory. Instead of controlling these activities, the present occupation authorities of the Western Allies support them morally and materially. It is clear that without the support of the Allied authorities, it would be impossible for the so-called "displaced persons" to roam freely into countries where domestic police and occupation troops maintain order. These people merely declared themselves enemies of present day Yugoslavia and "anti-Communist fighters" in order to insure a friendly reception. Certain reactionary circles in Great Britain and especially in the United States have recently been engaging an increasing number of former Yugoslav citizens for their intelligence services, with the intention of planning a treacherous and pointless action against the present Yugoslav Government, under the cover name of "saving Europe from the danger of Communism". People of this sort, being very familiar with conditions here, together with White bandits, reactionary chauvinist and secret religious organizations in all sections of our country, have set up an extensive espionage network, so that

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international capital is now in a position to obtain at any time, more or less accurate information on the situation here and to formulate its policy accordingly. Emigration groups carrying on espionage and other traitorous activities are a great danger. For this reason, serious conferences have been held on the subject resulting in decisions for military, political, and economic cooperation between our country and Bulgaria and Albania.

2. In view of the aforementioned danger, the head of the government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia and the Commander-in-Chief of the Yugoslav Army, Marshal Tito, issued the following orders to the Ministry for the Defense of the People, the Ministry of the Interior, and all organs of the State Security Services:

"Reactionaries, outlaws, sabotage, chauvinism, and capitalistic espionage must be eradicated immediately and with all means at our disposal. We must have trust in our strength. If the people are not aroused and if it is impossible for them to have contacts abroad, then anything can be accomplished. Capitalist pressure and instigation will then become ineffective and will no longer influence the people. International reaction fears our strength and is trying to intimidate us with stories about the atom bomb, the fifth column, etc. Organs of the State Security Service should not be panic stricken. They are not the only responsible services. Our army, our Allies, and the brotherly Soviet Union stand back of them - ready and well-armed. My unalterable decision is to destroy the reaction. Any member of the State Security Service who refuses to carry out my orders will be mercilessly and severely punished, regardless of his previous record."

3. You are informed of the following, in connection with the above:

As a result of the fact that officials of the State Security Service are overburdened with daily duties and do not have an adequate number of employees at their disposal, the Presidium of the Federal People's Republic together with the Ministry for the Defense of the People, the Ministry of the Interior, and the Youth Division of the Political Administration decided that the following armed youth brigades would be at the disposal of the employees of the State Security Service in FRS (Federal Republic of Slovenia):

A)	X Brigade	"Mika Mitrovic"	- 216 youths
B)	XIV Brigade	"Lahut Busatrija"	- 212 youths
C)	XV Brigade	"Rajo Sekulic"	- 194 youths
D)	XVI Brigade	"Mirko Tomicevic"	- 104 youths
E)	XVII Brigade	"Vlade Knezevic"	- 187 youths
F)	Austrian (Carinthian) Special		
	Brigade		- 80 youths
	Total		993 youths

4. The above-mentioned brigades consist of proven Communist Party members who have successfully completed a course under the leadership of the M.U.P. (Ministry of the Interior) specialists from the brotherly Soviet Union and have been trained for field service in appropriate regions and in the mountains.

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Leaders are: (1) Major Milojko Drunovic, Commander, (2) Milan Popovic, Political Commissar, (3) Lieutenant Colonel of the State Security Service of the brotherly Soviet Union Wsewolod Mikanorow, Chief Instructor, and (4) Captain Lowan Beridse, Deputy.

According to the directions of the above-mentioned officers, brigades are to be distributed in the FRS region, behind the border at a distance of at least 15 kilometers from the border until 6 P.M. on 1 October 1947. They will be used mainly to guard important communications lines and installations; to control travelers and baggage; guard fortifications, airports, and fortification work in progress along the border. Use of members of youth brigades on the border itself will not be permitted. Staffs must be distributed in such a way that they are not prematurely discovered by foreign intelligence services.

Each brigade staff must be assigned at least three trustworthy leaders, members of the Party Inspection Service.

Abandoned inns and similar places must be sought out as refuges, preferably far from the main communication lines.

Costs for improvements and repairs of such establishments must be handled in accordance with Party Directive IV, paragraph 4, Item 8 of the budget for 1947. Work will eventually be completed by the contractors and workers, members of the Communist Party.

Articles or publicity in the newspapers is not allowed.

The above is forwarded with the order to be present without fail at the conference of the chiefs of all border sections on 8 September 1947 in the office of leader INO-OP (rooms no. 6-9) at 2 o'clock.

Ljubljana, the 27th of August 1947

Death to Facism - Freedom to the People!

By order of leader INO-OP Representative

I. V. Rabo Dugonjic, Lt. Col.

Political Commissar

I. V. Faibisch (or Tajbic ?), Captain

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